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SUBJECT: BOMBING IN CATAK (SE TURKEY)

REF: A. 9/3/06 TELCON DRSO ANKARA - OPS CENTER &

[1](#)B. DS COMMAND CENTER

[1](#)1. (SBU) Summary: On Sunday, September 3, 2006 at approximately 2100 hours local an explosion occurred in the town of Catak (Van Province) in southeastern Turkey killing two and injuring fourteen. End summary.

[1](#)2. (SBU) At approximately 2100 hours local, an explosion occurred in an open teahouse frequented by civil service employees in downtown Catak. TNP contacts report that the device (NFI) was placed in a garbage container. One turkish police officer and one municipality worker were killed and fourteen people injured. No foreigners were reported to be injured.

[1](#)3. (SBU) As of 9/5/06, there has been no claim of responsibility for this bombing although the KGK-affiliated Taybazen Azadiya Kurdistan (TAK - Turkish Freedom Hawks) has been linked to similar attacks in the past.

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